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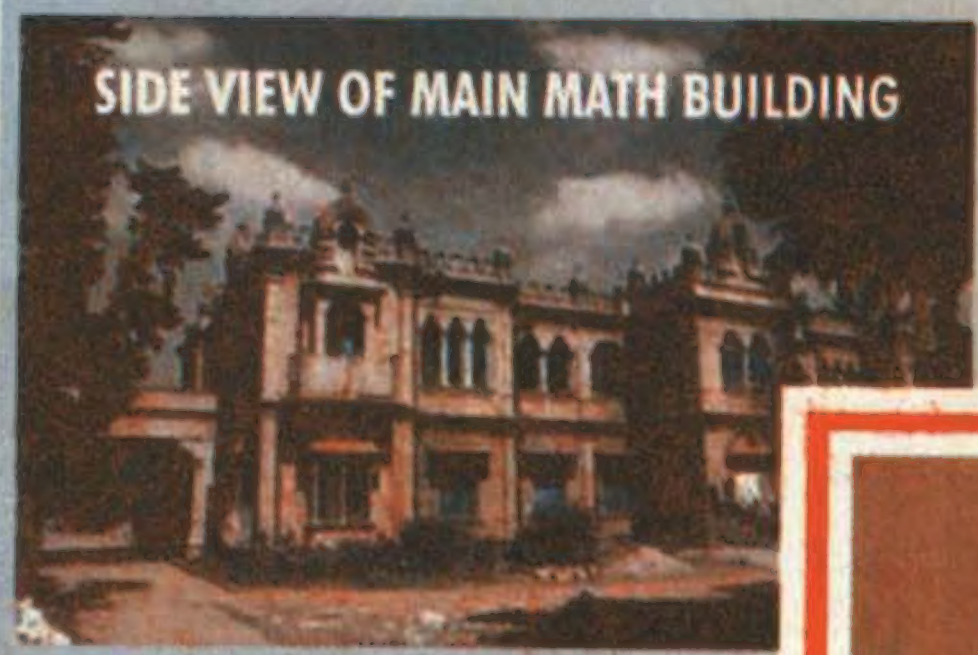
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AND MAIN MATH BUILDING



V. R. GOWRISHANKAR
The Dynamic Administrator



Glorious Centenary celebrations of Sri Shringeri Shankar Matha, Bangalore

The imposing and awe-inspiring Sri Sringeri Shankar Matha in Shankarpura is a hundred years old. It is proud occasion for the Bangaloreans in general and devotees of the Matha in particular to cherish this moment. And hence and naturally too, a festive mood pervades in the Matha premises and the area around it. Traditional, Cultural and social preparations are scheduled for a grand celebration to mark this momentous occasion. A 40-day utsava will begin from Monday, April 9 and culminate on May 14. Special poojas and programmes have been planned meticulously under the guidance of Sri Sri Bharathi Teertha Mahaswamiji and also the dynamic administrator of the Matha V. R. Gowrishankar for the centenary celebrations.

It is noteworthy that the 33rd seer of the Matha Jagadguru Sri Sri Sri Sacchidananda Narasimhabharati Swamiji established the Shankar Matha in Bangalore in the year 1907. It is believed that this is first temple in the name of Shankaracharya to be set up outside Sringeri. In 1911, a school for Vedas began in the quadrangle of the temple premises. The classes were inaugurated by His Highness Sri Mummudi Krishnaraja Wodeyar, the Maharaja of Mysore. The then Dewan Madhava Rao Patankar oversaw construction of the building.

In 1939, the 34th Jagadguru Sri Sri Sri Chandrashekhara Bharati installed the idol of Sharada Devi and the 35th seer Sri Sri Sri Abhinavateertha Swami had the Vimana Gopura constructed in 1970. And on May 14, 2007, the present Mahaswami of the Matha Sri Sri Bharati Teertha Swami will perform the centenary celebrations.

Contribution to the Society

The Matha has contributed to society, not just in the field of religion, but also in education and health. 'Jnanodaya', a school run by the Matha imparts education to thousands of children from Class I - PUC. Besides that, the 95-year-old Veda Pathashala continues to draw a large number of keen students.

In addition, the children have access to the Shankara Rotary Library and 'Sura Saraswati' Sanskrit School. The other facilities made available through the Matha are the Sri Chandrashekhara Bharati Kalyana Mantapa, Sri Sharadaprasada Kalyana Mantapa and Vidyavihara Kalyana Mantapa, which are a boon for the economically weaker sections.

To commemorate the centenary year, a new building for Veda classes will be dedicated to people. A 100-bed dialysis centre, that will provide treatment at affordable costs, plus a dental hospital will be inaugurated too.

(See inside pages for more information)

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Highlights of the centenary of Sri Shankara Matha

The Shankar Matha, situated on a 26-acre plot in a decent locality of Bangalore called Shankarapura, wears a festive look. Special pujas will be performed everyday during the 40-day utsava in connection with its centenary celebrations. Of course, the special feature will be the visit of Sri Sri Bharati Teertha Mahaswamiji to Bangalore after a gap of about 12 years.

The highlight of the celebrations is the conversion of the old house of the erstwhile Mahaswamiji of Sri Shringeri Matha, Sri Chandrashekhar Bharati Swamiji as a memorial titled 'Sri Bharati Nivasa'. The Swamiji used to live in this house during his student days before he took to sanyasa. It will be inaugurated and thrown open to the public as a museum with many memorabilia.

The consecration of a unique temple for Shanmukha built on the Shringagiri hills near Rajarajeshwarinagar.

A 100-bed hospital to be dedicated for mainly the kidney affected patients and general wards.

On May 14, the Kumbhabhisheka will be performed and a stamp in honour of the Sri Shankara Matha will also be released by the Union Government.

Daily programmes

Sri Sri Bharathi Teertha Mahaswamiji is expected to participate in a host of events, including Kumbhabhisheka at Old Sringeri Shankara Matha, Sultanpet (Apr. 29), Sringeri Shankara Matha, Girinagar (Apr. 12), Kalkere Sringeri Matha (May 5) and Shankara Matha, Rajarajeshwari Nagar (May 13).

Classical music and dance programmes, Yakshagana performances and other cultural events will be held every evening at 6:30 p.m. at the Matha premises. "We have made all necessary preparations for this big event. We are expecting about 10,000 visitors everyday. Arrangements to provide food twice a day for devotees have also been made. Outstation devotees can make use of the accommodation available at the three kalyana mantapas in our premises, with prior booking. Over 500 volunteers have enlisted their support for the 40-day celebrations," said the dynamic and visionary Administrator of the Matha V R Gowrishankar.

The centenary celebrations will be kickstarted by a procession welcoming Sri Sri Bharati Teertha Swamiji. Some of the important pujas include a Chandi Homa (Apr 16), a five-day Shankara Jayanthi (Apr 18-22) and an all-India Veda Sammelana, which is expected to see participation by over 250 Sanskrit scholars.



Cherishable Centenary

It is a happy and cherishable occasion for the Bangaloreans in general and devotees of Sri Shankara Matha in particular. Very imposing and the serene abode of peace and tranquility Sri Shankara Matha in Shankarapura of Bangalore is completing its 100 years of religious, socio-cultural activities spreading the message of Advaita, peace and humanity in its true sense and spirit. The Jagadguru Sri Sri Sachchidananda Shivanubhava Narasimha Bharathi Mahaswamiji who is considered as an incarnation of Adi Shankaracharya visualised his thought of establishing a Shankara Matha in Bangalore through this and inspired V.R. Madhava Rao and others to erect this grand holy edifice in the year 1907. Since then it has been a rendezvous of religious and socio-cultural aerations.

The Matha has been catering to the various needs of the devotees under the parental affection showered upon by a galaxy of Acharyas of the past and the present Jagadguru Sri Sri Bharathi Teertha Mahaswamiji. Keeping in tact the hoary tradition of the Sanatana Dharma and with strict adherence to the Vedic rituals, solutions are being found out for the contemporary problems and disorders bearing upon the humanity. The Mahaswamiji has been the beacon light for the seekers of peace and knowledge. He himself is a great scholar and a lovely orator. Under his invaluable and highly disciplined steering, the high values of the true Dharma are held aloft. He has always been a source of strength for his devotees in balancing the mundane with the spirituality. We are immensely blessed that after a long gap of about 12 years, Jagadguru Sri Sri Bharathi Teertha Mahaswamiji is visiting Bangalore. **Humble pranams at his lotus feet.**

It is also worth noting that the dynamic and visionary administrator of the Shringeri Peetha V.R. Gowrishankar has been doing a yeoman service in executing the ideas, thoughts and orders of the Mahaswamiji and rising to the occasion according to the demands of the current trends and situations.

Karnataka Kala Sri
Dr. M. Surya Prasad.

The legendary**Sri Shankara Matha**

Adi Guru Jagadguru Sri Shankara-charya established a living tradition at Shringeri in Karnataka by setting up the Dakshinamnaya Sri Shringeri Sharada Peetha with Sri Sureshwaracharya as his immediate successor. By the strength of his resolve, the Shringeri Peetha to this day shines as a beacon light to seekers of spiritual knowledge.

The Peetha has produced over the centuries a galaxy of Acharyas in unbroken Guru-Shishya Parampara. They have kept vibrant the unique heritage of India's ancient wisdom and learning. The place still retains the air of tapovan, where a visitor could seek and attain peace and tranquility.

During the years 1879 to 1912, the Matha at Shringeri was presided over by the illustrious Jagadguru Sri Sri Sachchidananda Shivanubhava Narasimha Bharathi Mahaswamiji who is considered as an incarnation of Adi Shankaracharya. For

12 years from 1895 to 1907 the Swamiji lived at Shringeri, all the while thinking of what should be done to check the drifting away of the people of the land from their old moorings.

To fulfill the prayers of the Shishyas, the Guru arrived in the city of Bangalore in the month of February 1907. At this time it was brought to the notice of His Holiness the urgent necessity of establishing a Matha in Bangalore and consecrating the idol of Sri Shankaracharya there in and indicated that a clean and big area would be made over to the Matha for this purpose.

This was accepted by His Holiness who directed Sri V.P. Madhava Rao who was a prominent disciple and the then head of the Government, to get everything ready for the purpose. Sri Madhava Rao chose the area between the newly developed extension of Chamarajpet and Basavana gudi, acquired it and got it suitably cleaned, cleared up and rendered fit for habita-

tion. The materials necessary for the construction of Sri Acharya's shrine were sent from Madhava Rao's house and the temple got ready in two week's time. Surprised and pleased with such enthusiasm and devoted performance, His Holiness installed the marble Acharya Moorthy on Friday, Vaishakha Krishna Dwadashi of the Plavanga year (1907 A.D.) as per the Vedic rituals.

The construction of a large and huge Matha began in the following year Keelaka and was completed in an exquisite manner with special architectural designs. It was inaugurated on 3-2-1911 in the presence of dignitaries like His Highness Sri Krishnaraja Wodeyar, the Maharaja of Mysore.

The idea in building the Matha in Bangalore was to make it the centre of Advanced Sanskrit Studies and to establish a Sanskrit College called 'Bharatiya Geervana Proudha Vidya-abhivardhini Pathashala.' Provision was made for free

boarding and arrangements for higher studies in the Poorva and Uttara Meemsas.

During the past 100 years, the Shankara Matha at Shakarapura, Bangalore has become as inspiring spiritual cultural, educational, literary and religious centre in Bangalore South and now a befitting centenary is being celebrated with the blessings and the divine presence of H.H.Sri Sri Jagadguru Bharathi Teertha Mahaswamiji during April-May 2007.

Various institutions established under the aegis of Sri Shringeri Shankara Matha and their activities in the city of Bangalore:-

Sri Sri Sri Abhinava Vidya Teertha Mahaswamiji of hallowed memory, a great saint full of compassion, recognized the need for an institution of primary and secondary education to impart value based education and to prepare children with good character.

'Jnanodaya School' established under the auspices of the Matha provides excellent education from pre-

primary to pre-university in a very congenial atmosphere. The children are trained in our heritage and culture and are inspired to mould themselves as responsible citizens. 'Jnanodaya School' is today a premier institution of learning in our city.

Quality Health Care

Sri Sri Sri Abhinava Vidya Teertha Mahaswamiji also recognized the need for quality health care facility in the rural areas around Shringeri and his foresight and efforts resulted in the establishment of Sri Sharada Dhanvantri Hospital by the Matha in Shringeri (1979). This institution has been growing from strength to strength and today occupies a prime place as a major health care support facility for many villages around Shringeri.

Sri Sharada Dhanvantri Hospital

Sri Sri Bharathi Teertha Mahaswamiji, the present pontiff of the Peetha, took the initiative to extend the health care facilities of the Matha to the needy public of Bangalore. With his blessings, a small wing of Sri Sharada

Dhanvantri Hospital of Shringeri was opened in the premises of the Matha in 1995.

Sharada Dhanvantri Hospital was started as a small out patient block for the general health treatments. In the year 2001, the centre was turned into a Haemodialysis Centre to provide high quality renal dialysis care at very affordable costs. The facility which started with just 2 machines in the year 2001, has been expanding at a very fast pace catering to the needs of hundreds of dialysis patients. Presently the centre has 12 machines and on an average 30 patients avail the facility everyday.

Library for children

To enhance the opportunity for learning and keep pace with the advancements, a library for children was started in the year 1996 with help from the Rotary Club of Bangalore. 'Shankara Rotary Library' open to children, provides a convenient place to develop their skills. An 'exploratumum' attached to

the centre helps the children to have their creative skills honed through model making and the like. Fully equipped with computer and mass media facilities the centre today provides an opportunity for the children to browse through the net and lay their hands on information from any corner of the globe. Hippo campus a pro-terminal team interested in learning activities of the children is supporting the centre.

Major initiative

The year 2001 marked the beginning of a major initiative in health care by the Matha, through the establishment of a state-of-the-art eye care centre with support from the Rotary Club of Bangalore West.

'Sharada Rotary Health Care Centre' holds camps in various rural areas with support from Rotary Clubs and arranges for cataract surgery of the eye patients. Cataract surgery with IOL implementation is done free of cost to all the needy patients. Equipped with two operation theatres and modern facilities, this

centre now provides surgery to nearly 150 patients every month. In the short span of five years, this centre has carried out nearly 5000 free surgeries. The centre is recognized by DBCS and also the Canadian foundation as a high quality eye care facility.

'Sharada Rotary Children Sight Saving Program' introduced in 2002, helps to identify eye problems in school children and treat the same. Nearly 27,000 children have so far been benefited from this ongoing programme. Vitamin supplements and spectacles are provided free to the children.

Dental care

A dental section with one chair was opened in the year 2002. Soon the need was felt for more facilities in this area and a state-of-the-art dental chair was added.

Today, this dental care centre provides all support to the patients at very special prices. Needy children and economically poor patients get free medical support. The Matha launched

a new project to help the rural people through their 'Sharada Rotary Rural Health Care Project' in 2004. A fully equipped van reaches out to various rural areas to provide dental care and eye care at the door steps of the people. This has been a major service in the aspect of health care for the poor.

Greatly enthused by the usefulness of the above health care initiatives, it was thought of widening the activities in this area, which undoubtedly brought laurels to the Matha endearing it to the common man.

High quality care

High quality cardiac care and diabetic care are the major areas where the facilities are rather inadequate and beyond the reach of the common man. To fill this void 'Sharada Rotary VIVUS Heart Clinic' has been established in the year 2006. Nearly Rs.1 crore worth diagnostic equipment including x-ray, TMT, EOG, ECHO etc, have been installed and services are being made available at a

very nominal cost. More facilities are being planned in the near future.

Special children with autism or other disabilities have always been treated with utmost care by the Math.

Awareness about such disabilities, is very low and a need was felt to establish an 'Information and Resource Centre' to help the children, their parents, siblings etc, by special educators in the field. This centre opened in June 2006 has been carrying out a lot of work and is being hailed as a unique, first time initiative in this country.

Stroke management

Similarly, patients who have suffered a stroke undergo a lot of physical and mental stress and need moral support. A unique stroke management program has been initiated in this centre with holistic approach to help the patients and their care takers to lead a contented life as useful members of the society. More facilities like physiotherapy, Ayurvedic therapy are provided.

It is noticed that a large number of kidney

dialysis patients come from the low age group. This means that they have to undergo the treatment for a long time may be several years. Many of them are economically weak also. Awareness, about kidney problems, dialysis, procedures, community support for such patients etc, needs to be increased. With this point of view a 'Kidney care friends circle' has been formed. Already around 16 patients from this circle are receiving financial support from the Matha.

24-hour pharmacy

'Sharada Aushadhalaya', a 24-hour pharmacy is a new support facility made available to the public of Bangalore by the Matha. Free medicine and other services are being planned to help the poor patients.

It has been the wish of our Guruji that our Matha should provide high quality health care to all the needy. Sharada Rotary Health Care Centre with its many faceted activities has been fulfilling this in a credible manner.

Women's Peace League

The school was started in 1953 by Smt. Rajam Saraswathi for the all-round development of girls. Since 2004, the school is being run under the aegis of Sri Sharada Peetha, Shringeri. The building of the school which is running classes from 1 to 10 standards exclusively for the girls in the Sharada Math Road, Shankarapura, Bangalore is well equipped with 40 rooms, laboratory, library, play ground, auditorium etc along with a dedicated staff. The school provides mid-day meals with the co-operation of Sri Annapoona Trust. This is one of the schools in Bangalore which does not collect fees from the students. Besides, fee concession, scholarships, uniforms, books etc, are provided for the poor and needy students.

Kalpataru Research Institute

This was established with the blessings of H.H. Sri Sri Bharathi Teertha Swamiji in 1981. The main objective of this institute is to carry out fundamental research in Vedic

and Sanskrit Literature including all the ancient Sastras like Aagama, Vastu, Temple, Architecture, Mythology etc and several source books and encyclopedias. The Institute to its credit the publication of about 150 books of utmost value. The institute is equipped with a good research library and has preserved many rare and important ancient manuscripts.

Sri Sri Ma Anandamayee Bhagavata Bhavana

The magnificent building of this Bhagavatha Bhavana is in the I phase of J.P. Nagar, Bangalore adjacent to Sri Prasanna Anjaneya Swamy Temple at Ragigudda. This was started about 25 years ago and was later handed over to the Sharada Peetha, Shringeri on 9th November 1995 by its Trustees. Now the administration of the Bhavana is in the hands of the Math. H.H. Sri Sri Bharathi Teertha Mahaswamiji continues to be the chief spiritual and religious patron of the Bhavana. The main objective of the Bhavana is the furtherance of Indian Culture and literature by

conducting discourses and lectures by eminent scholars on topics of humanity, Indian philosophy and culture.

Sri Bharathi Teertha Seva Pratishthana

This Trust was inaugurated on 6th May 2003 by His Excellency Sri T.N. Chaturvedi, Governor of Karnataka at the premises of Sri Shringeri Shankara Matha, Bangalore. H.H. Jagadguru Sri Sri Bharathi Teertha Mahaswamiji, the ruling pontiff of Sringeri Sri Sharada Peetha is the sole trustee. The main objective of the Trust is to enhance and effectively spread sanaathana dharma with stress on educating Advaita philosophy and also to undertake charitable work like (i) relief to the poor and the needy providing food and shelter, (ii) distribute clothes and medicines and (iii) providing books and education to the students at all levels etc.

Sri Sura Saraswathi Sabha

H. H. Jagadguru Sri Sri Sri Abhinava Vidya Teertha Mahasannidhana established Sri Sura Saraswathi Sabha on Saturday, the 8th August 1969. At

present, H.H. Sri Sri Bharathi Teertha Mahaswamiji is the Chief Patron of the Sabha.

The objects of the Sabha are:

- a) To promote and boost the cause of Indian culture. Research in Oriental learning and education.
- b) To carry on all activities for the enrichment, propagation and development of Sanskrit inclusive of arranging for Sanskrit teaching classes and conducting examinations, training and appointing Sanskrit Pracharaks, organising lectures by prominent Sanskrit scholars, Sanskrit elocution contests, Sanskrit debates etc., publication of Sanskrit texts, journals, dictionaries and other manuscripts, setting up and running Sanskrit libraries and reading rooms, research in Sanskrit, organising approved Sanskrit conventions and any other activity which may be found conducive for carrying out the above objectives.

The Sabha conducts the examinations twice a year and honours the merited students who are successful in the examination with distinc-

tion. The Sabha, with the assistance of competent scholars, has prepared scientifically the graded text books which facilitate the aspirants to learn and master the language, the literature of which is vast like the expansive sky.

Examinations

Prathama, Dviteeya, Triteeya, Tureeya and Pravesha are the five examinations which are conducted by the Sabha twice a year during January and August (usually the last Sunday of the month). A dedicated group of Sanskrit scholars train the ambitious students voluntarily. Verily, they are the backbone of the Sabha.

In the Prathama examination, students can answer in Sanskrit or Kannada or English.

In Dviteeya examination, for 50 marks answers should be written in Sanskrit and for the remaining 50 marks answers can be written in Sanskrit or Kannada or English.

In the Triteeya examination for 60 marks answers should be in Sanskrit.

In the Tureeya and Pravesha examinations, answers excepting translation

should be completely in Sanskrit only.

The last date to send the application forms with the stipulated examination fees will be 10th December for the January examination and 10th of July for the August examinations.

Girinagar Sringeri Shankar Matha

This branch was inaugurated on 24th February 1995 at Girinagar by H.H. Sri Sri Bharathi Teertha Mahaswamiji, the site of which was sanctified by the divine feet of H.H. Sri Sri Sri Abhinava Vidya Teertha Mahaswamiji in the year 1975. Sri K. Krishna Bhat had donated this site to the Matha.

Kalkere Shankara Matha

This place was sanctified by the divine feet of H.H. Sri Sri Bharathi Teertha Mahaswamiji in the year 1994. This was donated by Sri Sanjivappa, s/o Sri Subbanna of Kalkere Village, belonging to Horamavu Panchayat of K.R.Puram Hobli, Bangalore North. There is a Shankaracharya temple here.

Malleshwaram Sringeri Shankara Matha

This is situated on sixth main road of

Malleshwara. Earlier the site of the Matha belonged to Smt. R. Jayalakshmi and Sri S.R.Radhakrishna of Bangalore. Later, this was dedicated to Shringeri Shankara Matha. **Sri (Pracheena) Shringeri Matha**

Sri Chandra

Mowleeshwara Swami temple along with the shrines of Sri Vinayaka and Goddess Sri Bhavani Devi in the Sri Shringeri Shankara Matha (Old Shringeri Matha) situated in the Kashi Vishweshwara Temple Street, Sulthanpet, is the ancient one and was sanctified by the divine feet of H.H. Jagadguru Anantha Sri Vibhushitha Sri Sri Sri Nrisimha Bharathi Mahaswaminah, the 32nd Shankaracharya of Dakshinamnaya Sri Sharada Peetha of Shringeri in the year 1874 A.D.

Now, with the divine blessings and directions of H.H. Jagadguru Anantha Sri Vibhushitha Sri Sri Bharathi Teertha Maha Swamiji, the vimana gopura on the sanctum sanctorum and a welcome arch in front of the temple are built.

Tejaswini Trust

This is an organisation started and run by women for

the benefit of the women folk.

This is situated in the Abhinava Mandira of Shringeri Sri Shankara Matha, Shankarapura. Many programmes are being conducted by the Trust including the running of a marriage bureau.

**Sri Chandrasekhara
Bharathi Kalyana
Mantapa**

There are two marriage halls namely Sri Sri Jagadguru Chandrasekhara Bharathi Kalyana Mantapa and Sri Sharada Prasada Kalyana Mantapa. In the former there are 11 rooms, a dining hall for 120 people and a community hall for 350 people. In the latter one there are 7 rooms, a dining hall for 180 people and a conference hall for 250 people.

Sri Vidya Vihara is an auditorium adjacent to the above Kalyana Mantapas on the Pampa Mahakavi road. About 800 people can be accommodated here. The fourth one is Abhinava Vidya Vihara where small functions can be conducted. This has a hall, a room, a kitchen and a few toilets.

Shankara Krupa

This is a monthly journal in Kannada being published from Bangalore for the past nine years. This is a spiritual and cultural journal publishing various aspects of Advaita Vedantha and Sanskrit literature. Earlier, a monthly magazine with the name Sri Shankara Krupa was started by H.H. Sri Sri Abhinaya Vidya Teertha Mahaswamiji. This was a very popular magazine which continued for about three decades and more from Mysore and later on now being published from Bangalore.

Sri Sharada Trust

This is a part of Shringeri Shankara Matha and is mainly devoted to publish and sell books of the Matha and also the other publications which have cultural, spiritual and religious values. Many items like the photos and articles belonging to Shringeri Matha also find a place here.

Shraaddha Bhavana

This was started to help the people to observe the vedic rituals in accordance

with the Shastras. This is mainly devoted to perform the shraaddhaas. About 8 such rituals can be conducted simultaneously in this building which is situated near the coconut garden of the Matha. All arrangements like the purohits, the materials and the cooks are readily available here.

**Shanmukha Temple,
Shringagiri, Rajarajeswari
Nagar
Rangadorai Memorial
Hospital
Jnanodaya Pre-University
College
Sri Chandrasekhara
Nilaya
Sri Sharada Rathotsava
Samithi**

Added to all the above organisations the Shankara Mathas in Bangalore conduct all the important religious festivals in accordance with their celebrations at Sringeri. **All particulars about the various activities can be had from the Administrator/Manager at Shringeri Shankara Math, Shankarapura, Bangalore-4. Telephone no.: 08265-250123/250192; 080-26613365, 080-22425096.**



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ಸುಂದರ ಸಮಾಪ್ತಿ:

ಮಲ್ಲೇಶ್ವರದ ಶ್ರೀಕನ್ನಿಕಾ ಪರಮೇಶ್ವರಿ ದೇವಾಲಯದಲ್ಲಿ ಒಂದು ವಾರದವರೆಗೆ ನಡೆದ ೪೨ನೇ ನಾದಜ್ಯೋತಿ ಸಂಗೀತೋತ್ಸವದಲ್ಲಿ ಕಳೆದ ಗುರುವಾರದಂದು ಹಿರಿಯ ಗಾಯಕಿ ಡಾ. ನಾಗವಲ್ಲಿ ನಾಗರಾಜ್ ಮತ್ತು ನಾಗಂ 'ಂಜನಿ ತಾಯಿ-ಮಗಳ ಅಪೂರ್ವ ದ್ವಂದ್ವಗಾಯನ ಸಂಪನ್ನವಾಗಿತ್ತು. ಇಬ್ಬರೂ ಗಾಯಕಿಯರ ಮನೋಧರ್ಮದ ಕಡಲ ಆಳ-ವಿಸ್ತಾರಗಳು ರಸಿಕರ ಹೃದಯದಲ್ಲಿ ಭೋರ್ಗರೆದವು. ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸಂಗೀತದ ಧಾತು ಮತ್ತು ಮಾತು ಸಿದ್ಧಾಂತವನ್ನು ಅವರು ವ್ಯಕ್ತಗೊಳಿಸುವ ಕಸುವನ್ನು ಪಡೆದಿರುವುದು ವಿಶೇಷವೇ ಸರಿ. ರಾಗಗಳ ಆಪ್ತ, ಕಲಾಪೂರ್ಣ ಹಾಗೂ ಸಮಗ್ರ ಚಿತ್ರವನ್ನು ಕಟ್ಟಿ ಕೊಡುವುದರಲ್ಲಿ ಅವರು ಯಶಗಂಡದ್ದು ಅಪಾರ. ನಿರೂಪಣೆಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ನಿರಾಳತೆ, ಸೌಖ್ಯ ಮತ್ತು ಭಾವ ಸಂಪತ್ತು ಗರಿಕೆದರಿ ಕುಣಿದ ಅನುಭವವಾಯಿತು.

ಶಹನ ವರ್ಣದೊಂದಿಗೆ ಆರಂಭವಾದ ಯುಗಳ ಗಾಯನ ಕಛೇರಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಕೇಳುಗರಿಗೆ ಇಷ್ಟವಾದ ಉಲ್ಲಸಿತ ಕ್ಷಣಗಳು ಬೊಗಸೆ ಸಿಕ್ಕಿದವು. 'ಗಜವದನ' (ಹಂಸಧ್ವನಿ) ರಚನೆಗೆ ಹಂಚಿಕೊಂಡು ಹೇಡೆದ ಕಲ್ಪನಾ ಸ್ವರಗಳು ಅವರೀರ್ವರ ವಿದ್ವತ್ ಪ್ರತಿಭೆಗಳ ಪ್ರತಿಬಿಂಬವಾಗಿದ್ದವು. ಭೈರವಿ ರಾಗದ ಶಾಮಾಶಾಸ್ತ್ರಿಗಳ ಸ್ವರಜತಿಯನ್ನು ಹಾಡುವಾಗ ಬೇಕಾದ ಸ್ವರ-ಲಯಗಳ ಬಿಕ್ಕಟ್ಟನ್ನು ನಾಗವಲ್ಲಿ ಮತ್ತು ನಾಗರಂಜನಿ ಅವರು ಲೀಲಾಜಾಲವಾಗಿ ನಿರ್ವಹಿಸಿದರು. ಮೋಹನ ರಾಗದ ವಿಸ್ತರಣೆ ಶಾಬ್ದಿಕವಾಗಿಯೂ ಮೋಹಕವಾಗಿತ್ತು. ಗ್ರಹಭೇದದ ಒಗ್ಗರಣೆಯನ್ನೂ ಒದಗಿಸಿ ತಾರ ಮತ್ತು ಅತಿ ತಾರ ಸ್ಥಾಯಿಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ರಾಗದ ಸಂಚಲನೆಯನ್ನು ತೋರಿದರು. 'ಎವರುರಾ ನಿನ್ನುವಿನಾ' ಕೀರ್ತನೆಯ ಗಾಯನ ಮತ್ತು ಕಲ್ಪನಾ ಸ್ವರಗಳ ಸುರಿಮಳೆ ಕಲಾತ್ಮಕತೆಯೊಂದಿಗೆ ಭಾವ ಸಂಪತ್ತನ್ನೂ ಹೊಂದಿತ್ತು. ಚುರುಕಾದ ಲಯದಲ್ಲಿ 'ಶರಶರ ಸಮರೈಕ ಶೂರ' (ಕುಂತಲವರಾಳಿ) ಕಛೇರಿಯ ಕಾವನ್ನು ಹೆಚ್ಚಿಸಿತು. ನಾಗರಂಜನಿ ಅವರು ಮಂದ್ರದಿಂದ ಕಾಂಭೋಜಿ ರಾಗವನ್ನು ಆಲಾಪಿಸಿ ಹಂತ ಹಂತವಾಗಿ ಮುಂದುವರೆದು ರಾಗದ ಭವ್ಯ ಮತ್ತು ದಿವ್ಯ ಭವನವನ್ನು ಆವಿರ್ಭವಿಸಿದ ಬಗೆ ಭೇಷ್

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ಅನಿಸಿಕೊಂಡಿತು. ಇಲ್ಲೂ ಸಹ ಶೃತಿ ಭೇದದ ತುಣುಕು ರಸಿಕರನ್ನು ವಿಸ್ಮಯಗೊಳಿಸಿತು. 'ಶ್ರೀಸುಬ್ರಹ್ಮಣ್ಯಾಯ ನಮಸ್ತೇ' ವಿಳಂಬ ಕಾಲದಲ್ಲಿ ಒಡಮೂಡಿ ಬಂದು 'ವಾಸವಾದಿ ಸಕಲ ದೇವ' ಎಂಬಲ್ಲಿ ನಡೆಸಿದ ಸಾಹಿತ್ಯ ಮತ್ತು ಸ್ವರ ವಿಸ್ತಾರ ಪಾಂಡಿತ್ಯಪೂರ್ಣವಾಗಿತ್ತು. 'ಮನಸಿಜ ಕೋಟಿ ಲಾವಣ್ಯಾಯ' ಪಂಕ್ತಿಯ ಅನಂತ ಸಂಚಾರಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ವ್ಯಾಖ್ಯಾನಿಸಿದ ವಿಧಾನದಿಂದ ರಾಗ ವ್ಯಾಪ್ತಿ ಹಿಗ್ಗಿತು, ಹಿಗ್ಗು ಇಮ್ಮಡಿಸಿತು. ನಳಿನಾ ಮೋಹನ್ (ಪಿಟೀಲು) ಮತ್ತು ಸಿ. ಚೆಲುವರಾಜು (ಮೃದಂಗ) ಅವರ ಹಿತವಾದ ಪಕ್ಕವಾದ್ಯ ಸಹಕಾರ ಮೆಚ್ಚಿಸಿತು.

ಸುಂದರ ಸಮಾಪ್ತಿ:

ನಾದಜ್ಯೋತಿ ಸಂಗೀತೋತ್ಸವವು ಭಾನುವಾರದಂದು ಗುರು ರಾಧಾ ಶ್ರೀಧರ್ (ನೃತ್ಯ), ಎಂ.ಟಿ. ಸೆಲ್ವನಾರಾಯಣ (ಗಾಯನ), ವೆಂಕಟರಮಣಪ್ಪ (ಮೃದಂಗ) ಮತ್ತು ಎಂ. ಎಸ್. ವಿದ್ಯಾ (ಗಾಯನ) ಅವರ ಸನ್ಮಾನ ಸಮಾರಂಭ ಮತ್ತು ಸಮಾರೋಪದ ನಂತರ ಹಲವಾರು ಪುರಸ್ಕಾರಗಳನ್ನು ಸಂಪಾದಿಸಿ ಕೊಂಡಿರುವ ಪ್ರತಿಭಾನ್ವಿತ ಭರತನಾಟ್ಯ ಪಟು ಹಾಗೂ ಗುರು ರಾಧಾ ಶ್ರೀಧರ್ ಅವರ ಅಚ್ಚುಮೆಚ್ಚಿನ ಶಿಷ್ಯ ಐಶ್ವರ್ಯಾ ನಿತ್ಯಾ ನಂದ ಅವರ ಸುಂದರ ಭರತನಾಟ್ಯದೊಂದಿಗೆ ಮುಕ್ತಾಯವಾಯಿತು. ಉತ್ಕೃಷ್ಟ ಕಲಾ ಐಶ್ವರ್ಯ ಸಂಪನ್ನ ಐಶ್ವರ್ಯಾ ನಿತ್ಯಾನಂದ ಅವರು ತಮ್ಮ ನೃತ್ಯ, ನೃತ್ಯ ಮತ್ತು ಅಭಿನಯ ಕುಶಲತೆಯಿಂದ ನೋಡುಗರ ಮನ ಸೆಳೆದರು. ತ್ಯಾಗರಾಜರ ಮತ್ತು ಹರಿದಾಸರ ರಚನೆಗಳನ್ನೇ ಆಯ್ದುಕೊಂಡು ಅವರು ಅಂದಿನ ತಮ್ಮ ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮವನ್ನು ಅರ್ಥಪೂರ್ಣಗೊಳಿಸಿದರು.

ಗುರು ರಾಧಾ ಶ್ರೀಧರ್ (ನಟುವಾಂಗ), ಭಾರತೀ ವೇಣುಗೋಪಾಲ್ (ಗಾಯನ), ನರಸಿಂಹಮೂರ್ತಿ (ಕೊಳಲು) ಮತ್ತು ಹರ್ಷ ಸಾಮಗ (ಮೃದಂಗ) ಅವರ ಸಾರ್ಥಕ ಸಾರ್ಥನೊಂದಿಗೆ ಐಶ್ವರ್ಯಾ ಅವರು ತ್ಯಾಗರಾಜರ 'ಶ್ರೀಗಣಪತೀನಿ' (ಸೌರಾಷ್ಟ್ರ)ಯನ್ನು ಉತ್ತಮ ಸಾತ್ವಿಕಾಭಿನಯದಲ್ಲಿ ಆರಾಧಿಸಿದರು. ನೃತ್ಯ ಜತಿಗಳು, ಆವುಗಳಿಗೆ ಹೊಂದಿದ ಅಡುವುಗಳು ಹಾಗೂ ಮೃದಂಗ ಮತ್ತು ಹೆಜ್ಜೆಗಳ ನಡುವಿನ ಸಂವಾದ ನೃತ್ಯ ಪ್ರೇಮಿಗಳ ಮನ ಸೂರೆಗೊಂಡವು. ಕಲಾವಿದೆಯ ಭಾವ-ಐಶ್ವರ್ಯ ಪುರಂದರದಾಸರ 'ಚಂದ್ರಚೂಡ' (ರಾಗಮಾಲಿಕೆ, ನೃತ್ಯದೊಂದಿಗೆ ಆರಂಭ ಸೊಗಸಾಗಿತ್ತು)ನ ಹಿರಿಮೆಯನ್ನು ಪ್ರದರ್ಶಿಸುವಾಗ ಪ್ರಕಾಶಿಸಿತು. 'ಎಲ್ಲಿರುವನೋ ರಂಗ' (ರಾಗಮಾಲಿಕೆ), 'ಕಂಜದ ಳಾಯತಾಕ್ಷಿ' (ದೀಕ್ಷಿತರು, ಕಮಲಾಮನೋಹರಿ) ಮತ್ತು ಫರಜ್ ತಿಲ್ಲಾನಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಐಶ್ವರ್ಯಾ ಮಿಂಚಿದರು.

Projects initiated and blessed by the present Jagadguru Sri Sri Bharathi Teertha Mahaswamiji

—DR. M. SURYA PRASAD



Construction of a bridge connecting NrisimhaVana, Re construction of Sri Sharada Dhavantri Hospital at Sringeri, Adhishtaana Mandira of Poojya Guru, Sanskrit University at Kalati, the native land of Sri Shankaracharya. Sanskrit Vidyapeetha at Sringeri, Huge dining hall, grand Guru Bhavana at Sringeri, All India Veda Sammelana, Awards to Vedic scholars during Shankara Jayanthi, Sri Sharada Peetha prashasthi puraskara, Shankara Advaita Research Centre, Reconstruction of many temples, creation of 'Ashaktha Shishu Samrakshana Nidhi', large scale social-upliftment activities, medical facilities, boarding and lodging facilities for the pilgrims, Anna Daasoha, protection of cows and other socio-educational-religious programmes. Dedication of golden chariot, golden door, golden mantapa to Sri Sharadambe, conduct of Ati-Rudra Yaaga under his guidance and instructions at America vouch for his great tapas-shakthi.

ನೃಸಿಂಹವನಕ್ಕೆ ಸೇತು ನಿರ್ಮಾಣ, ಶೃಂಗೇರಿಯ ಶ್ರೀಶಾರದಾ ಧನ್ವಂತರಿ ಆಸ್ಪತ್ರೆಗೆ ಕಾಯಕಲ್ಪ, ಪೂಜ್ಯ ಗುರುಗಳ ಅಧಿಷ್ಠಾನ ಮಂದಿರ ನಿರ್ಮಾಣ, ಶ್ರೀಶಂಕರಾಚಾರ್ಯರ ಜನ್ಮಭೂಮಿಯಾದ ಕಾಲಟೀ ಕ್ಷೇತ್ರದಲ್ಲಿ ಸಂಸ್ಕೃತ ವಿಶ್ವವಿದ್ಯಾಲಯ, ಶೃಂಗೇರಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಸಂಸ್ಕೃತ ವಿದ್ಯಾಪೀಠ, ಬೃಹತ್ ಭೋಜನ ಶಾಲೆ, ಭವ್ಯ ಗುರು ಭವನ ನಿರ್ಮಾಣ ಮುಂತಾದ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿ ಕಾರ್ಯಗಳು ಶೃಂಗೇರಿ ಕ್ಷೇತ್ರಕ್ಕೆ ತಮ್ಮ ಕೊಡುಗೆ ಎಂಬುದು ನಮಗೆ ಹೆಮ್ಮೆಯ ವಿಷಯ. ಅಖಿಲ ಭಾರತ ಮಟ್ಟದ ವೇದ ಸಮ್ಮೇಳನ, ಶಂಕರ ಜಯಂತಿ ಮೊದಲಾದ ಸಂದರ್ಭಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ವೇದ-ಶಾಸ್ತ್ರ ಪಂಡಿತರ ಸನ್ಮಾನ, ಶ್ರೀಶಾರದಾ ಪೀಠ ಪ್ರಶಸ್ತಿ ಪುರಸ್ಕಾರ, ಶಂಕರ ಅದ್ವೈತ ಶೋಧ ಕೇಂದ್ರದ ಸ್ಥಾಪನೆ ಇತ್ಯಾದಿಗಳು ಧರ್ಮ ಸಂಕ್ಷಣೆಗಾಗಿ ತಾವು ಕೈಗೊಂಡಿರುವ ಮಹಾ ಕಾರ್ಯಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಕೆಲವು ಮಾತ್ರ. ಅಶಕ್ತ ಮಕ್ಕಳ ರಕ್ಷಣೆಗಾಗಿ "ಅಶಕ್ತ ಶಿಶು ಸಂರಕ್ಷಣಾ ನಿಧಿ", ಅನೇಕ ದೇವಾಲಯಗಳ ಪುನರ್ ನಿರ್ಮಾಣ, ಶ್ರೀಕ್ಷೇತ್ರದಲ್ಲಿ ಬೃಹತ್ ಪ್ರಮಾಣದ ಸೇವಾ ಕಾರ್ಯಗಳು ಸಮಾಜೋನ್ನತಿಯ ಕಾರ್ಯಗಳಾದ ವೈದ್ಯಕೀಯ ಸೌಲಭ್ಯ, ಯಾತ್ರಿಗಳಿಗೆ ವಸತಿ ಸೌಲಭ್ಯ, ಅನ್ನ ದಾಸೋಹ, ಗೋಸಂರಕ್ಷಣೆ ಇತ್ಯಾದಿ ಹಲವು ಕಾರ್ಯಗಳನ್ನು ಯೋಜನಾಬದ್ಧವಾಗಿ ನಿರ್ವಹಿಸುತ್ತಿರುವುದು ತಮಗೆ ಸಹಜವಾಗಿರುವ ಧಾರ್ಮಿಕ-ಸಾಮಾಜಿಕ-ಶೈಕ್ಷಣಿಕ ಕಳಕಳಿಯ ದ್ಯೋತಕಗಳಾಗಿವೆ.

ಶ್ರೀಶಾರದಾಂಬೆಗೆ ಸುವರ್ಣ ರಥ, ಸುವರ್ಣ ದ್ವಾರ, ಸುವರ್ಣ ಮಂಟಪಗಳ ಸಮರ್ಪಣೆ, ಅಮೇರಿಕಾದಲ್ಲಿ ತಮ್ಮ ಮಾರ್ಗದರ್ಶನದಲ್ಲಿ ನಡೆದ ಅತಿರುದ್ರ ಮಹಾಯಾಗ ಇತ್ಯಾದಿಗಳು ತಮ್ಮ ಸಂಘಟನಾ ಸಾಮರ್ಥ್ಯಕ್ಕೆ ಕೆಲವು ನಿದರ್ಶನಗಳು. ರಾಷ್ಟ್ರಮಟ್ಟದ ನೇತಾರರೆಲ್ಲಾ ತಮ್ಮ ಪದತಲ ಸನ್ನಿಧಿಗೆ ಬಂದು ಮಾರ್ಗದರ್ಶನ ಪಡೆಯುತ್ತಿದ್ದಾರೆ.

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Mention the specialities of these artistes?

**SOLUTION TO PHOTO QUIZ**

Renowned Harikatha exponent-brothers
Sant Bhadragiri Achyuta Das and Bhadragiri Sarvotham Das

QUIZ OF FINE ARTS

1. What is Adbhuta?
2. This is one of _____.
3. Its sthayi bhava is _____.
4. What is Aalingya?
5. What do you mean by that?
6. _____ is kept and played in that posture.
7. What is the opposite of it?
8. Name the instrument related to it?
9. Who is the president of the Karnataka Sangeetha Nrithya Academy?
10. Name this year's "Sangeetha Kalanidhi"?

SOLUTION TO QUIZ OF FINE ARTS

1. The feeling of surprise.
2. Navarasas or nine emotions.
3. Vismaya.
4. Horizontal posture.
5. This term is used to signify the position in which an instrument is kept and played.
6. The Mridanga.
7. Urdvika (vertical).
8. The Tabla.
9. Pandit Rajasekhar Mansur.
10. Veteran violinist M.Chandrasekharan.

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ಸುಮಾರು 2000 ವರ್ಷಗಳ ಇತಿಹಾಸ ಕನ್ನಡಿಗರದು. ನಾನಾ ಕಾರಣಗಳಿಂದಾಗಿ ಬೇರೆ ಬೇರೆ ಭಾಗಗಳಲ್ಲಿ ಬದುಕಿ ಹೋಗಿದ್ದ ಕನ್ನಡಿಗರು ಮತ್ತೆ ನವಂಬರ್ 1, 1956 ರಂದು ಒಂದಾದರು. ಇದು ಏಕೀಕೃತ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಉದಯವಾದ ಸುದಿನ. ಈ ಸಾಧನೆಗಾಗಿ ಆಲೂರು ವೆಂಕಟರಾಯರಾದಿಯಾಗಿ ಅಸಂಖ್ಯಾತ ಸಾಹಿತಿಗಳು, ಕಲಾವಿದರು ಮತ್ತು ವಿವಿಧರಂಗಗಳ ಗಣ್ಯರು ಹಾಗೂ ಜನಸಮುದಾಯದ ಪರಿಶ್ರಮ ಮತ್ತು ತ್ಯಾಗವಿದೆ. ಇವರೆಲ್ಲರಿಗೂ ಇಂದು ನಮ್ಮ ನಮನ.

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ---50 ವರ್ಷಗಳ ಒಂದು ಅವಲೋಕನ

- I ಸರ್ಕಾರದ ಆಡಳಿತ ನಿರ್ವಹಣೆಗಾಗಿ ವಿನೂತನ ಶೈಲಿಯ ವಿಧಾನ ಸೌಧದ ನಿರ್ಮಾಣ.
- I 'ಉಳುವವನಿಗೆ ಭೂಮಿ' ಕಾಯಿದೆಯನ್ನು ಜಾರಿಗೊಳಿಸಿದ ಭಾರತದ ಮೊದಲ ರಾಜ್ಯ.
- I ಹಿಂದುಳಿದ ವರ್ಗಗಳ ಅಭಿವೃದ್ಧಿಗೆ ಪ್ರತ್ಯೇಕ ಆಯೋಗ ರಚಿಸಿ, ರಾಷ್ಟ್ರಕ್ಕೆ ಮಾದರಿಯಾದ ರಾಜ್ಯ.
- I ಆಡಳಿತ ವಿಕೇಂದ್ರೀಕರಣದ ಪಂಚಾಯತ್ ರಾಜ್ ವ್ಯವಸ್ಥೆಯನ್ನು ಯಶಸ್ವಿಯಾಗಿ ಜಾರಿಗೆ ತಂದ ಮೊಟ್ಟ ಮೊದಲ ಮಾದರಿ ರಾಜ್ಯ.
- I ಸಾಕ್ಷರತೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಗಣನೀಯ ಸಾಧನೆ---ಕೇವಲ ಶೇ. 24 ರಷ್ಟಿದ್ದ ಸಾಕ್ಷರತೆ ಈಗ ಶೇ. 71 ಕ್ಕೆ ಏರಿಕೆ.
- I ಮಹಿಳೆಯರಿಗೆ ಉದ್ಯೋಗ ಮತ್ತು ಆಡಳಿತದಲ್ಲಿ ಮೀಸಲಾತಿ.
- I ನೀರಾವರಿ ಸಾಮರ್ಥ್ಯ---23.84 ಲಕ್ಷ ಹೆಕ್ಟೇರ್ ಜಮೀನಿಗೆ ನೀರಾವರಿ ಸೌಲಭ್ಯ.
- I ವಿಶ್ವ ಸಂಸ್ಥೆಯ ಪ್ರಶಂಸೆ ಮತ್ತು ಪ್ರಶಸ್ತಿಗೆ ಪಾತ್ರವಾದ 'ಭೂಮಿ' ಯೋಜನೆಯಡಿ ರೈತರಿಗೆ ಕಂಪ್ಯೂಟರ್ ಮೂಲಕ ಪಹಣಿ ವಿತರಿಸಿದ ಪ್ರಪ್ರಥಮ ರಾಜ್ಯ.
- I ಮಾಹಿತಿ ತಂತ್ರಜ್ಞಾನದಲ್ಲಿ ಇಡೀ ರಾಷ್ಟ್ರದಲ್ಲಿ ಪ್ರಥಮ ಸ್ಥಾನ ಪಡೆದ ರಾಜ್ಯ.

ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸುವರ್ಣ ಮಹೋತ್ಸವದ ಈ ಶುಭ ಸಂದರ್ಭದಲ್ಲಿ ನಮ್ಮ ನಾಡಿನ ಅಪೂರ್ವ ಸಂಸ್ಕೃತಿ ಮತ್ತು ಭವ್ಯ ಪರಂಪರೆಯನ್ನು ಎತ್ತಿ ಹಿಡಿಯೋಣ. ಅದರ ಉಜ್ವಲ ಬೆಳಕಿನಲ್ಲಿ ರಾಜ್ಯದ ಭವ್ಯ ಭವಿಷ್ಯವನ್ನು ರೂಪಿಸಲು ಕಂಕಣಬದ್ಧರಾಗೋಣ.

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